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Sir,

In reply to the office action of May 3, 2005 it is respectfully requested the following remarks and amendments<sup>1</sup> be entered and considered for further prosecution of the above mentioned Application.

The Claim Amendments as set forth in Appendix I of this paper.